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May 13, 2004

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Subject: Request for Extension to Submit Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations, Star Stone Quarries, Torrey Sandstone Quarry, S/055/016, Wayne County, Utah

Dear Mr. Thomas:

On May 3, 2004, we received your letter provided in response to our March 26, 2004 letter that gave an April 30, 2004 deadline for submittal of the required transitional reclamation surety and a new Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations for the Torrey Sandstone Quarry. Star Stone has provided a transitional Reclamation Contract and \$35,000 transitional surety in the form of a Certificate of Deposit from Wells Fargo Bank for the site. We are working with Wells Fargo to have some changes made to the Certificate of Deposit, and once that is complete, we should be able to have our Director sign the Certificate of Deposit and the reclamation contract.

Your letter asked for a 60-day time extension to submit the large mine permit application. You stated that it was your oversight for not filing the new notice on time. ***The Division acknowledges your request and hereby approves of your 60-day time extension request.*** Accordingly, the new deadline for our receipt of your large mine notice is July 6, 2004. If you are not able to meet this timeframe, please contact our office before the deadline with appropriate justification for your delay.

The Division Directive issued April 14, 2003, says mining operations and removal of material must be suspended until the transitional surety is received and formally accepted. Although we expect to formally accept the surety within the next few days, these operations must remain suspended until these changes are resolved. ***No expansion of mining operations beyond the current disturbed area footprint is authorized until we approve of the new Large Mine Permit application.*** Since this mine site is located on BLM managed land, you should

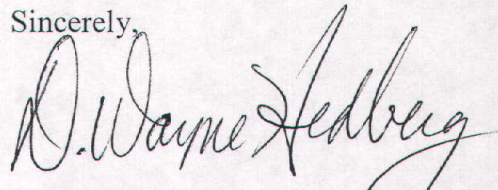
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contact them to see if there are additional requirements you must meet before you recommence mining operations.

The Division Directive also required that you mark the perimeter of the existing disturbed area boundary with metal t-posts or other suitable markers. No perimeter markers were found during a site visit on April 6, 2004. These markers must be installed before mining commences.

If you have any questions about the requirements of the Division Directive or about this letter, please feel free to call me at 801-538-5286 or Paul Baker at 801-538-5261.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Wayne Hedberg". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

D. Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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cc: Buzz Rakow, Hanksville BLM
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